

were used. So much for assurances! The latest issue of *NBN News* (Issue 16, Winter 2002, p4) now informs us that the NBN Trust has developed a framework of legal licences that waives the intellectual property rights of the original recorder and previous data handlers! Oh dear, will we never learn from history? Are recorders such magnanimous slaves that they can be ridden over roughshod? We will have to wait and see, but if the NBN fails do not blame the recorders whose work is its building blocks. They may not like being taken for granted and their contributory role unacknowledged.— KEITH P. BLAND, 35 Charterhall Road, Edinburgh EH9 3HS.

Some recent Suffolk (VC 25 & 26) records of the Pauper Pug *Eupithecia egenaria* H.-S. (Lep: Geometridae)

There has been some recent interest in the entomological literature regarding records of *Eupithecia egenaria* and its possible expansion in range. Steve Nash's article (*Ent. Rec.* **114**: 210-211) covered the first confirmed recording of the species for Oxfordshire and mentions that some new sites in Norfolk, Suffolk and Surrey have been discovered. I thought it might be of interest to briefly detail the recent records of this species in Suffolk that may not have previously appeared in literature.

Site	Vice-county	Grid reference	Recorder(s)	Date
Lackford	VC26	TL9742	J Chainey & J Spence	15.5.1996
Groton Wood	VC26	TL9742	Suffolk Moth Group	15.5.1998
Norton	VC26	TL9566	M Armitage, gen. det. G Martin	13.6.1998
Nowton	VC26	TL8661	S Dumican, R Eley & M Hall	29.5.1999
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Sicklesmere	VC26	TL8869	S Dumican	23.5.2000
Minsmere RSPB Reserve	VC25	TM4567	Suffolk Moth Group	2.6.2002

Small-leaved lime occurs sporadically throughout most of Suffolk, but tends to be more prevalent in the south of the county. Groton Wood is well known locally for its stands of small-leaved lime so it may not be surprising that the species was recorded at this site. In the areas of the Minsmere, Nowton and Sicklesmere records of *E. egenaria* there do not appear to be any stands of small-leaved lime but there are of the common hybrid lime. The Suffolk Moth Group meeting at Minsmere RSPB Reserve meeting on 2 June 2002 was targeted at recording this species. Two m.v. traps were operated in close vicinity to the common hybrid lime trees making up one of the avenues approaching the reserve and several *E. egenaria* were recorded in the two traps. This would appear to lend some small weight to the idea that the species may be utilising common hybrid lime as a foodplant.— TONY PRICHARD, 3 Powling Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 9JR (E-mail: tony.prichard@btinternet.com).